

A FAIR DIPLOMATIST

Is Mrs. J. R. Burton, Wife of the
Abilene Statesman.

"BECKY SHARP," THE JOURNAL WOMAN

Has a Long and Interesting Chat
With One of the Cleverest Women
in the State.

Among other politicians that now do congregate at the Copeland hotel, was one encountered in the second floor hall on Saturday afternoon about 3:30 by the *STATE JOURNAL*'s editor of the woman's department. This particular politician, though vitally interested in the coming fight for the United States senatorship, will not have a vote in deciding it. Indeed it is doubtful if the "dixers" and other interested people would credit the theory that the person in question could have had anything to do with the result of the contest which is now so near as to engage the public interest.

But if a woman who has spent nearly all of her time during the recent campaign by her husband's side, interested in and thoroughly acquainted with his work, as has Mrs. J. R. Burton for more than six months past, does not have some influence or bearing on the result, then indeed does the sex need suffrage or something else to increase its power. More particularly may this be said when the woman has Mrs. Burton's finesse and tact.

Mrs. Burton came to Topeka on Wednesday of last week. As much of her husband's time is taken up interviewing his friends and supporters, she spent much of last week sitting close to one of the parlor radiators, and having had the pleasure of enjoying several pleasant chats with her before it was there I expected to find her, and so I did.

Mrs. Burton has that faculty so necessary to the politician of remembering not only faces but the names that belong to each particular face, even though it be as common as Smith or Jones, and she cordially greeted the *JOURNAL* woman, inviting her to a seat in the parlor. On being told that she was to be interviewed, Mrs. Burton laughed merrily and said: "I can't imagine an interview with me being of any interest to the public."

"Well," said the *JOURNAL* reporter, "I can at least tell what you are wearing and say that you are not devoted to dress." "This is the same dress I had on when you saw me down here before, nearly a month ago."

It was a novel cloth in dark green and rose mixture, and though thoroughly in a mode, as quiet in make as in color and texture. It was combined with dark velvet in a harmonizing hue; the bodice slightly full at the neck, where it was confined by a small enameled pin. A short watch chain, worn by fashion and small earrings completed the costume.

Mrs. Burton wears her hair, which is of the drab blonde color, as far removed from the peroxide variety as if it were coal black, combed straight back, instead of the popular part now affected. There is not a suspicion of a bang, only some soft tendrils that fall away from the severe lines into which they have been brushed, with a tendency to curl, which is plainly natural. She is a little under medium height, and could appropriately be called—as all women want to be, whether they own it or not—the big ones most of all—the woman of the present day. The kindest grey eyes light up an expressive face that looks about—but there, the *JOURNAL* woman respects the traditions of her sex, and did not ask Mrs. Burton her age, and time has a fashion of dealing so gently with some people, that one never could tell.

"Mrs. Burton, you surely ought to have some interesting reminiscences of your campaigning trips with your husband, didn't you enjoy them?"

"Yes, I did enjoy campaigning very much, especially in western Kansas."

"Well, you know, or perhaps you don't know, that I like a rural life, and would enjoy more than anything being a farmer, if I were a man."

"Then you would not be a politician?"

"I certainly would not run for office if that is what you mean."

"Why?"

"There is nothing in it; it don't pay for the trouble; the game is not worth the candle; it is an empty honor, and especially may this be said of gaining a seat in the United States senate, when one considers the recent incumbents."

"But, of course, you want to see your husband elected?"

"Certainly I do, now that he is a candidate; and I believe it every man's duty to creditably represent his party, and his political principles, but for his own personal good I should perhaps prefer that he were not a candidate for the office."

"In case your husband is chosen will you go with him to Washington?"

"Smiling quickly, Mrs. Burton said: 'Of course we have not made any calculations on going to Washington and have not said or even thought what we will do in such an event.'"

"But if you should, do you think you will enjoy Washington?"

"If you mean to ask if I am a society woman, I am not in the general acceptance of the term, though I am not unsocial; but I believe a great many ladies undermine their health keeping up their social duties, and especially I think, is this true of the ladies whose husbands go to Washington."

"Will you be here when the United States senator is chosen?"

"I can't tell, probably I will."

Then she said, "Have you never been present on such an occasion?" Being told that the *JOURNAL* woman was sadly ignorant of the mode of procedure in electing the United States senator, Mrs. Burton kindly explained it all.

"Do you know all the other candidates, Mrs. Burton?" I asked. Again she smiled and said, "How can one be sure? I think I am acquainted with all of them except Major Hood."

"What is the personal feeling between them?"

"It is of the very best I think. In fact I know it is so far as Mr. Burton is concerned. You know at the time of one of the senatorial contests long ago, the wife of one candidate and the daughter of another were here in this hotel for some time and never spoke to each other, though they were from the same town. Now that could not be the case with me and any member of the families of the candidates?"

"Are you a suffragist?"

"Yes and no. I think suffrage was a glorious thing in Colorado and the women did nobly with it. I believe it ought also work well in Kansas, which

is largely agricultural, but I fear that in some states there are already too many unenlightened ballots. Indications seem to point toward the worst classes voting first, before the better element can be interested. But while I have never been aggressively for suffrage, I should consider it my duty to vote if I had it, and should certainly do it."

"Would you advise a woman to marry a politician?"

"Well, that depends on circumstances. Do you ask for personal reasons? I did not marry a politician; Mr. Burton had never voted when I married him. He was not old enough. He has been actively campaigning though since 1876. You know it has been a source of no little fun between ourselves and friends that I was a Democrat when I was married. I am a cousin to Sunset Cox."

Mrs. Burton is a diplomat. Her clear grey eyes see into the depths of human nature.

She is not a member of any church but goes to hear the brainiest minister on Sunday.

She does not anticipate going to the inaugural ball, but if she does will prepare no new gown especially, as she says no one will ever know what you wore the next day, and you will probably find it unrecognizable yourself.

She calls her husband Ralph.

She knows more Kansas people than perhaps any other woman in the state.

She is thoroughly well informed on subjects political and general.

She does not bowl.

She does not ride a wheel.

She has not read *Tribune*.

But if she goes to Washington, Kansas women will have a friend at the capital.

BECKY SHARP.

THE SORORIS CLUB.

The Ladies Discuss Dress Reform—The Present Modes Not Healthful.

Mrs. W. C. Campbell entertained the Western Sororis on Saturday afternoon at her handsome home on Fifth and Lincoln.

The rooms were tastefully decorated with palms and plants, one of the novelties being a small rose bush on the center table bearing several blossoms.

The paper of the day was read by Mrs. Thomas S. Lyon, her subject being: "Health and Woman's Dress." She gave a short history of the dress of the nation, from the time of Isaiah—she was the first advocate of dress reform—to that of the present. Special attention was called to that most injurious custom, during the Elizabethan age, of the ladies wearing an iron corset, which was even worse than a straight jacket.

The corset of the present day came in for its share of discussion. The author mentioned briefly the different dress reform schemes. Dr. Emily A. Bruce of New York, once donned a Syrian dress-reform suit and visited several persons, among whom were Ward McAllister, Redfern, the ladies' tailor, and two prominent physicians. Ward McAllister condemned the suit, as did also Redfern; but the physicians approved of it.

A number of eminent physicians have declared, Mrs. Lyon said, that the women of today were gradually approaching invalidism, and that it would be a question only of time till the human race, in civilized lands, would be an invalid one.

The paper caused an animated discussion. Usually the ladies wait until their turn comes to talk; but they all had something to say about dress-reform, and they all tried to say it at the same time.

One lady thought that the young girls of the present day did not look healthily and robust. Most of those present believed in the theory of dress-reform, "but to wear one of those horrid bloomer suits, oh, no!" It was suggested that it would be difficult to get a dressmaker to make a dress according to health principles for it seemed that they said as though the dressmaker could not make a dress without putting bones in the waist.

The president asked those who wore neither corsets nor bones in their dresses to hold up their hands, and only one lady responded, and she was one of the youngest members of the club.

One said she wore bones only in her best dress. This was the case with more than half the members.

It seemed to be the unanimous opinion that the dress of the present day was injurious to the health, and that a reform was much needed.

The meeting was a very interesting one, both because of the well prepared paper and also because of the hospitality of the gracious hostess.

The club will meet in special session to transact some important business on January 12, at the residence of Mrs. M. A. Waterman, corner of Seventh and Monroe streets.

NEW YEAR'S RECEPTIONS.

Complete Revised List of Those Who Will Receive Tomorrow.

The following ladies will keep open house in Topeka tomorrow. No cards except as specified. Mrs. A. R. Johnson, 931 Harrison street. Mrs. A. R. Johnson, Mrs. S. M. Gardener, Mrs. A. Brecht, and Miss Jettmore, from 3 till 5 p. m.

At the home of Judge J. B. Johnson on West Sixth street from 3 till 5: Misses Madge and Mabel Johnson, Myra Wilcox, Margaret Mendenhall, Mary McCabe, Nellie Clough, Fannie Graham and Mame Atchison of Leavenworth, Lou Neely, Mrs. Arthur Miller, Mrs. Arthur Capper and Mrs. Lytle Dickey of Omaha.

The handsome home of Judge and Mrs. A. H. Horton at Ninth and Harrison, will be thrown open from 3 to 7 for the Pansy club, consisting of Misses Raymond Horton, Alice Prescott, Henrietta Thompson, Bessie Gibson, Doris Furman, Florence Greer, Franc Littlefield, Jessie Small, Marguerite Bradley, Hortense Kelly, Mesdames Will Smith, Ed Smith, Arthur Murphy, the visiting young ladies who will receive with them are: Misses Julia Street of Phoenix, Ariz.; Harriet Rolf of Beloit, Wis.; Annie Ocheltree of Olathe and Marie Shiras of Ottawa. No cards. Miss Horton and Miss Gemmell will also receive with the Pansy club.

Mrs. W. W. Phelps and Mrs. E. T. Sim will receive at the home of the latter, 613 Tyler street, from 2:30 to 4:30, assisted by Misses Corinne Bone, Jessie and Nellie Griffith and Frances Lee of Kansas City; Mesdames Horace Hall, James Tanner, Frank Hobart, Charles Nelson, Misses Adie and Geo. Ewart, Nina and May Thomas, Julia and Mary Walker, Lillie and Zena Freeman, Margaret Weiss, Nellie Whitehead, Grace Weaver, Medora Rowley, Lida McFerran and May Wasson.

Mrs. John Conde Ashby will receive from 2 to 6 p. m. 100 Taylor street, assisted by Mrs. John W. Farnsworth, Mrs. Frank E. Holliday, Mrs. Piny L. Soper,

Mrs. Corrin Jewett Prescott, Mrs. John Norton, Miss Dudley, Miss Beck, Miss Bartholomew.

Miss Daisy Lakin will receive at home, First and Western avenue, assisted by Mrs. W. N. West, Mrs. Norman West, Mrs. Lindsay Pegues, Misses Edna Best, Moon, Frances Moon, Dient, Eleanor Wilson, Lou Taylor, Edna Darragh, and Frances Kellogg of Leavenworth; May Everett, Letha and Hattie Holman.

The I. O. T. H. club with Miss Trissa Greenwood, at home, 211 E. 10th street, from 2 to 6: Miss Emily Black, Mollie Crane, Miss Anna Crane, Miss Carrie Merriek, Miss Lulu Cope, Mrs. W. A. Canfield, Topeka, Ill.

Mrs. Willard I. Church, Misses Violet and Aileen Church, Mattie Valentine, Achsah Brewer, Harriet Adams, Katherine Searle, Elsie Valentine, Myra Hanten and Olga McFadden will receive at 522 West Eighth street.

Mrs. James L. King, 506 Topeka avenue, assisted by Mesdames H. V. Hinckley, Paul Hudson, E. S. Quilton, Will Estabrook, Dr. Longmeyer of Emporia, Harold Chase, Dill Keiser, Will S. Norton; Misses Mame Smith, Clemons Llan, and Bessie King.

The C. O. D. club, consisting of the following young ladies, Misses Ada Conkle, Margaret and Kathryn Collier, Marie and Kathryn Watkins, Edna Parkhurst and Hallie Hamrick, will receive at the home of the former, 1015 North Quincy street, from 2 until 7 o'clock.

Miss Myrtle Davis, at her home, 1034 Topeka avenue, assisted by Miss Edna Crane and her guests, Misses Kate Critchfield, of Oskaloosa, and Nora McCarty, of Leavenworth; Misses Vera Low and guest, Edna Livermore, of Olathe; Miss Lottie Page, of Denver; Misses Lela Saxton, Grace Weiss, Nellie Small, Norma Smith, Lillian Watlock, Libbie Hazlett, Grace Curtis, Candice Packard and Bernice McDonald.

Misses Mollie Magill, Laura Davies, Mame Bennett, Laura Weidling and Marie Guild will receive, with Miss Mary Harrison at 1345 Western avenue.

Miss Edith Ott will receive at 832 Fifth street from 3 till 7, assisted by Misses Marie Brooks, Lillian Valentine, Lida Bergen, Emma Dennis and Ida Stagg.

Misses Saldee Minney, Gertrude Houston, Alice McKintick, Minnie White and Minnie Fulton will receive from 4 till 6 at 209 Western avenue.

At the Episcopal deanery, from 3 till 5 o'clock, Dean and Mrs. Frank R. Millsbaugh.

At the home of Mrs. A. K. Rodgers, 503 Monroe street, from 2 till 7: Mrs. K. Rodgers, Mrs. Madge Stevenson of Cincinnati, Mrs. J. P. Cole, Mrs. L. B. McCintock, Miss Willa Rodgers, Mrs. F. G. Wear, Miss Mary Thompson, Miss Mabel Quigley, Miss Maud Ranney, Miss Lottie Ranney, Miss Caro Penfield, Miss Jessie Beck.

With Misses Annie and Harriet Jones, 1201 Topeka avenue, from 2 till 7: Miss Edith Isbell and Miss Ray Martin.

Miss Maud Kildier assisted by Misses Maud and Rae Chesney, Nora and Ethel Oliver, Maud Ellison and Irene Boyd will receive, per invitation, at 301 east Tenth street on New Year's day, from 4 to 6 p. m.

The ladies of Corps No. 74, W. R. C., at Topeka post-hall from 2:30 to 5:30.

With Miss Josephine Coffey, at 1015 Topeka avenue, Miss Fannie Marsh, Miss Lillian Tefft, Miss Mabel Chase, Miss Jessie Shellabarger and Miss Mary Moon.

The T. V. club will receive with Miss Nina Garvin, 1123 Harrison, from 3 to 6. Miss Ethel Wood, Beniah Parker, La Verne and Pearl Brubaker, Carrie d'Overt, Blanche Johnson, Emma and Josephine Marmont.

At the Copeland hotel from 2:30 till 6:30: Mrs. N. C. McFarland, Mrs. J. A. Freeman, Mrs. T. E. Pounds, Mrs. F. W. Freeman, Mrs. W. W. Webb, Mrs. H. E. Overholt, Mrs. S. C. Nichols, Miss Glenn Cross.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms on east Eighth street, from 2 till 6: Mesdames Thomas, Nellie, Shellabarger, Sweet, Alfred, Freeman, Phil Bennett, Phillip Hammett, Gundry, Lou Davis, Whittemore, W. C. Campbell, Banks; Misses Crosby, Mary Huron, Fox, Nellie Kingman, Wallace, Atwood, Lizzie Davis, Lovewell, Ingalls, Fulkerson, Minnie Marsh, Daisy Starr, Serena Pratt, Birdie Lindington, Edith Campbell, H. Stanford, Kate Adams, Blakesley, Ruth Nash, the Misses Lee, the Misses Barnes and Mrs. Sampson.

Minor Social Mention.

The pupils of the sixth grade of the Oakland schools enjoyed a pleasant social at the residence of Professor C. H. Nagle on Center and Oakland avenues, last Wednesday evening. Games of various kinds and choice selections of music furnished entertainment for the evening.

After the guests had done ample justice to the delicious refreshments, Miss Edith Learned presented the professor with a handsome present in behalf of Miss Ivy Williams, Bella Cottle, Mattie Alvey, Grace Wetling, Ethel Learned and Grace Woods.

The following pupils enjoyed the pleasant evening: Grace Woods, Ola Millard, Anna Amment, Jennie Gordon, Ivy Williams, Belle Cottle, Nellie Miller, Fred Burk Fred Parsons, Clyde Spenser, Arthur Millard, Mattie Alvey, Ethel Learned, Edith Learned, Gertrude Wetling, Herschel Thompson, Charles McGurdy and Anna Vanant, Lida Bachus, Edna Barnes, Ethel Riley, Leta Peak, Pauline Peak.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Reed of Ellensburg, Wash., are the guests of Mr. Reed's parents at 924 Quincy street.

The ladies receiving with Miss Trissa Greenwood will entertain their gentleman friends at cards in the evening.

Mr. J. H. Wetherell will give a dancing matinee tomorrow from 3 to 6 o'clock. Misses Flora Hunter and Kate Sprague will entertain friends from 2 till 4 tomorrow at 1012 Euclid avenue.

Miss Laura Levi is the guest of Misses Emma and Jennie August.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McGurdy and Miss Lois Kimer attended the wedding of Miss Ada Kanaga and Senator A. W. Brewster of St. Joseph, Mo., last week at the home of the bride in Hutchinson.

DENVER WOMAN BURGLAR

Influential Friends Couldn't Prevent Her Being Prosecuted.

DENVER, Dec. 31.—Chief of Police Armstrong has complaints sworn out charging Mrs. Henrietta E. Pike with breaking into the residence of Mrs. Jas. R. Ives and stealing property to the value of \$500, and charging Mrs. Bertha K. Shaw, Mrs. Pike's friend, with receiving and secreting stolen goods.

Influential friends of the women prevailed upon Mayor Booth of Highlands, brother of Mrs. Ives, not to prosecute, but Chief Armstrong decided it was his duty to bring the accused into court.

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WOMAN'S WORLD.

AMY F. ACTON, BOSTON'S NEWEST
WOMAN LAWYER.

Women Who Run Ranches—Women of the Cabinet—The Numerous "Antis." President Eliot on Women—Girls Who Carve Furniture—A Paris Toilet.

Amy F. Acton, the woman whom the bar examiners of Suffolk county have announced as admitted, was born in Australia and came to this city 17 years



ago. She was educated in the schools of this city and is a graduate of the English high school.

She is a student in the Boston university school of law, having entered in the fall of 1893, and will graduate next June. She has also studied with Mr. Gilman of the Fiske building. Miss Acton has hung out her shingle.—Boston Globe.

Women Who Run Ranches.

The women who are engaged in ranching in California are said to invariably be successful, more so than men in many instances, which is accounted for by the fact that if a woman has business ability it is her sole ambition to develop it to the fullest extent, and she has no desire to waste her energies in any other direction.

The one idea is dominant in her mind, and only things which have a direct bearing on her business can claim her attention. She has no desire to venture into other kinds of business, or any disposition to fritter away her time over the flowing bowl complaining of her ill luck.

Many women claim that household duties are heavy in comparison with outdoor manual labor, and that they are stronger and healthier when they work in the open air. Several women in the northern part of the state have been eminently successful with their fruit ranches, and others equally so in the southern part of the state.

One very enterprising woman has herself planted several hundred acres to deciduous fruits and gets a good income besides from her wheat and hay fields. She is a young widow, and in addition to her ranch she runs a hotel. She is out early every morning on horseback inspecting the ranches and directing the day's work, which is pretty well accomplished before the men who own the adjoining properties have finished their breakfast.

A teacher in one of the Indian schools manages several hundred acres of wheat fields every year, and is very successfully too. And another woman in Los Angeles is known as the best real estate operator in southern California. She will take hold of a most unattractive piece of property and make money out of it.—San Francisco Letter.

Women of the Cabinet.

Though social Washington is pretty much the same from one four years to another, yet each of these periods has features peculiar to itself, this administration's aspect being flavored by youth.

To begin with, heading the receiving line is the young and comely mistress of the White House; below her and in a cabinet place often occupied by a middle aged or even elderly lady, is a young girl, Miss Herbert, the social representative of her widowed father, the secretary of the navy. The postmaster general's wife was a school friend of Mrs. Cleveland's. Mrs. Lamont is by no means old, and Mrs. Hoke Smith is a young matron with a family of little children, which reminds one to state that babies are quite the style this reign. Of course Mrs. Cleveland's famous two are responsible for the rage, and though they, as far as the public in general is concerned, are unseen of eye and unpictured of camera, yet their mere presence in the White House is enough to make all babyhood fashionable. And thus it comes about that the sayings of little Margaret Bissell, the pranks of the juvenile representatives of the official house of Smith and the accomplishments of the grandchildren of the secretary of the treasury receive almost as much space in the society reports as the descriptions of their maternal relatives' dinner gowns, and it is by no means uncommon for a little befuddled toddler to stand by the side of her bedecked mamma and share her adulations until the novelty has really worn off, and she prefers to run away and play with her doll.—Jenness Miller Monthly.

The Numerous "Antis."

The "anti" movement has spread. Paris has caught the fever, and every woman who respects herself is either "anticorsets" or "anti-Plagnot" or "anti-kissing." Plagnot is the misquidated member of the house of deputation who has recently declared legislative war upon stays. He proposes to levy a tax upon the manufacture and sale of corsets, thereby eventually doing away with the use of those instruments of torture, as he considers them.

Under M. Plagnot's banner are enrolled numerous of the hygienic and sensible faddists of Paris. It is almost as fashionable to be an anticorset woman there as it was recently here to be an anti-Tammany woman. One lady of fashion proposes to make antistays societies popular. She says:

"The fight against corsets must be prosecuted under the flag of the fact. If



DINNER OR DANCING GOWNS.

The gown on the right is of rose pink faille with three piece skirt, the whole trimmed with flat insertion and ribbon. Honiton lace forms the bodice. That on the left is of mauve tulle frosted with white, bound with skunk fur on the bottom and sleeve caps. Point lace bodice, three piece skirt.

all the leading actresses, the wives and daughters of politicians, financiers, of the aristocracy and the military chose to appear at an important first night without corsets the factories where these minutely and disposable instruments of torture are constructed would have to shut down in a fortnight."

Meanwhile the anti-Plagnot women are prosecuting the fight by the simple method of looking particularly graceful and simply in their corset demanding gowns. Antikissing societies are also in vogue, and all the horrors of the germ theory are set forth convincingly to those who still persist in osculation.—New York Correspondent.

President Eliot on Women.

In Boston they are still discussing the refusal of the Harvard Debating club to meet the Boston University Debating club because there are women in the latter organization. The challenge, which was an unconditional one, came from Harvard, so that the Boston university people are the more indignant at the unchivalrous attitude of the Cambridge society. One of the irate youths of Boston university went out to talk the matter over with President Eliot, and incidentally he learned a good deal concerning the learned gentlemen's views on women.

President Eliot regretted the action of the Harvard club in withdrawing from its challenge, but said that the custom of the society had always been to refuse to debate with women. He said women were sure to win the sympathy of the judges and the audience and that the Harvard society, being composed of mere men, would thus be placed at an unfair advantage.

"But," argued the Boston university youth, "would it not be possible to have judges of such high position and critical integrity that they would not be influenced by any considerations their sympathies might impose?"

"We certainly might think it possible," answered President Eliot, "but such persons are hard to find. The sympathies a woman speaker will excite invariably tend to influence judgment in her favor."

Therefore the great fight is deferred, in order that the men of Harvard may not be placed at an unfair advantage by the women of Boston university.

Girls Who Carve Furniture.

One of the wealthiest families of Clifton has just placed in the dining room a sideboard that is unique in this city. Its intrinsic worth is great, but its artistic value and the stamp of its workers give it a merit above dollars. It was designed and manufactured by three girls, sisters and partners in the only furniture manufacturing concern in the world where every item of work is done by girls. On Laurel street, in Louisville, is the shop of the Swann girls. In 1880 Miss Laura Swann made a cedar chest with her own hands and sold it for \$35. Miss Josie, another sister, tried her hand on a wardrobe, which was sold for \$40. The third sister designed and executed a six piece suit, which was quickly sold for \$215. The father then fitted up a shop, and the girls went to work. They prepare work only on orders and seek only the best trade. No stock is carried, and no duplications are permitted. The designs, the construction, the carving, are all done by the three sisters. Wealthy families in nearly all the eastern cities have their work, and no one can purchase who is not in society. Secretary Carlisle and Senator Blackburn, Starin, the New York boat magnate, and many others, have specimens in the shape of tables, chairs, sideboards, bric-a-brac stands, hat racks and bed and parlor suits. This sideboard is the first of their work to appear here, and its cost is said to have been close to four figures.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

A Paris Toilet.

Skirt mounted, with front and deep yoke of crossbar, fitted with darts around the hips. Full skirt of goat's hair cloth gathered to yoke. Large buttons on sides.

Round corsage of crossbar, with drapery



of plain cloth from side seams. Narrow vest in front. Very large puff sleeves of crossbar, narrowing below the elbow to fit the arm smoothly. Material required, plain, 50 inches wide, three yards; crossbar, four yards.

Two Happy Girls.

Two happy girls are Miss Alice Hands and Miss Mary Gannon, for by their work are they acknowledged as professional equals of men. Architects of no mean ability are they, and much promise is given them by the acceptance of their plans for the Florence hospital at San Francisco, which is now being erected at a cost of \$25,000. Plans for this building were subjected to examination by many prominent architects, both of New York and other cities.

The hospital is built of wood in purely colonial style and accommodates 40 patients. It is a private one and under the care of the founder, Dr. Florence Saltonstall. There are two wards, with 15 beds each, and ten private rooms. The operating rooms, with sterilizing and etherizing rooms opening off, are most complete as to arrangement and size. An immense elevator is in the middle of the central building, which admits of patients being transferred from one floor to another in their beds.

Both Miss Hands and Miss Gannon have been at work all summer in architects' offices for seven competitions for schoolhouses and other buildings. They are the first women to have work hung in the Architectural league and are the only women belonging to the Sketch club. In one of the monthly competitions in which they are judged equally with men Miss Gannon was given second mention on a railroad sketch.—New York Herald.

Women Who Shoot Big Game.

Only a few months ago accounts reached England of the shooting of a large tiger by the maharajah of Patiala, who will be better known under her maiden name of Florrie Bryan. Perhaps one of the best markswomen we can point to is Mrs. Henry Scannell, the intrepid wife of the superintendent of the G. I. P. railway police of the Bombay presidency. Mrs. Scannell accompanied her husband on his tours of inspection in the Ahmednagar district, carrying with her a walking stick gun. These expeditions soon fostered a keen love of sport in her, and she was able to do some excellent shooting on the wing with an Alexander-Heary 20 bore gun. Later on she brought down black buck very skillfully with a 12 bore rifle. Mrs. Scannell's record includes 118 black bucks—many of the horns of these victims measuring 19 inches to 30. Snipe, quails, partridges, bustards, waterfowl, etc., have all fallen to Mrs. Scannell's gun, and 33 nabobs may be added to her book. She believes implicitly in sports as a healthful recreation, and would urge upon all women the benefits derived from a good tramp across country. gun on shoulder.—London Queen.